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**481—61.9 (135C)** Specialized unit or facility for persons with chronic confusion or a dementing illness (CCDI unit or facility). A CCDI unit or facility shall be designed in accordance with Section 4.2-2.2.3.2 and other applicable provisions of the Guidelines for Design and Construction of Health Care Facilities, 2010 edition, produced by the Facility Guidelines Institute. The following provisions shall also apply:

- **61.9(1)** A CCDI unit or facility shall be designed so that residents, staff and visitors will not pass through the unit in order to reach exits or other areas of the facility unless in an emergency. (III)
- **61.9(2)** If the unit or facility is to be a locked unit or facility, all locking devices shall meet the requirements of the state fire marshal. If the unit or facility is to be unlocked, a system of security monitoring is required. (I, II, III)
- **61.9(3)** The outdoor activity area for the unit or facility shall be secure. Nontoxic plants shall be used in the secured outdoor activity area. (I, II)
  - **61.9(4)** There shall be no steps inside the CCDI unit or freestanding CCDI facility. (III)
- **61.9(5)** Dining and activity areas for the unit or facility shall be located within the unit or facility and shall not be used as the primary dining or activity area by other facility residents. (III)
  - **61.9(6)** An area shall be provided to allow nurses to prepare daily resident reports. (III)
- **61.9(7)** If the lounge and activity areas are not adjacent to resident rooms, there shall be in clear view of the lounge and activity area one unisex resident toilet room for each ten residents. (III)

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